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WITH OTHER EDITORS

WE HOPE IT WORKS,

NUDISTS

New York Daily News

Some 500 Mays Landing N. J., nudists would up their convention Sunday, and put on their clothes and went home. But before they left they passed a resolution, or formula, for preventing wars. We sort of like it.

To have peace, our earnest nudists declared, all that's needed is for everybody to take his clothes off. Then there would be no identifying uniforms—so how would a soldier know who was who, and whom to shoot at? Also, why become a hero, with no gorgeous uniform to wear and no place to pin your medals?

There's only one catch. Think of those bulgy colonels. Maybe the rigors of war would be overshadowed by the sheer horror of having to look at them, parading in just their hide and dignity.

HORSES GET UP EARLY

Chicago Tribune

An obituary of Maj. Gen. Jullen Lindsey, retired cavalry officer, ... that Army and Navy Club associates in Washington recalled that he once remarked that the Japanese would not have taken the Americans by surprise at Pearl Harbor if old fashioned cavalry had been retained.

"Every one would have been up feeding the horses," he explained, and thus would have been on deck for the surprise attack.

THE ARC OF THE SANDWICH

Philadelphia Bulletin

The lunch box is no longer the exclusive symbol of the hardworking artisan of labor. Some white collar workers are now carrying them, in protest against the high cost of eating in restaurants. More might do so if false pride would permit.

The basic content of the lunch box in the sandwich. The sandwich, in most cases, is the product of the housewife's devotion and ingenuity. There are wide differences in sandwiches, as there are among wives. The lucky man is he whose lady designs his midday meal to suit his taste and appetite.

Many successful matrimonial alliances are strengthened every day by the thoughtfulness of the wife who shuts the lunch box and the happiness of the husband who opens it. Carelessness concerning sandwiches may have serious consequences. A man of Midland Park, N. J., a mason by trade, has won a preliminary decree of divorce on the grounds, among others, that his wife insisted on putting jelly sandwiches in his lunch box. She is also accused of beating him and threatening to shoot him. A man can put up with an occasional beating and shooting, but not with jelly sandwiches every day.

SUCCESS FORMULA

Charlottesville Progress

We predict great success for "The Babe Ruth Story." The new film is off to a grand start. It is corny. It is hammy. It is unbelievably inaccuracy, in detail or in viewpoint. It makes a sweet, sticky goo-goo out of one of the most colorful swashbucklers in the history of sports. The best critics condemn it as unanimously as do the sports writer who knew the Babe from the day he came up as a rookie pitcher to the day he hit three homers and announced his retirement. It is no more the Babe Ruth story than it is the Frank Merriwell story. Undoubtedly it will make millions for its producers.

Truman says Federal government faces deficit in the current fiscal year.

DECLINE IN HIGHWAY DEATHS

From Eastern Shore News

The lowest traffic death rate in recent history was what the nation experienced during the first five months of 1948, according to the National Safety Council.

Despite increased travel, drivers and pedestrians came through the first six months with 560 fewer traffic deaths than in the same period last year.

Notwithstanding this good record we must not overlook the fact that 13,620 persons were killed on the highways during the first half of the year. Altogether, in 1947, 32,300 people paid with their lives for what we call the use of the highway.

This is a tragic toll. It is amazing that the people of the United States take it in stride, consider it a necessary price for speed and progress and pass up the death list with little regrets.

There was a time when we thought the answer to the question of life and death on the highways was in the enforcement of speed laws. With the improvement of highways, however, and the advancement of automobile engineering, speeds are now current which, not many years ago, would have been considered foolhardy.

The next best thing, as near as we can see it, is for all traffic officials to rigorously enforce every traffic rule and regulation. Certainly, if automobilists were awarded for their failure to obey "slow" signals on the highways, and if, in the urban areas, they were promptly arrested for ignoring "stop" signs, the highways would become safer.

In addition to this, there should be, at all times, a rigorous and never-ending inspection of motor vehicles used on the highways. No driver should be permitted to use the highways with defective machines, liable to kill innocent people. Moreover, trucks should be carefully inspected and load limits and safety precautions rigorously enforced.

This will entail endless work upon the officials who are charged with the duty of enforcing traffic rules and regulations, but, in the long run, it will pay dividends in the lives of Americans saved.

Braves hold to lead in National League.

College football teams are about ready for fall practice.

Uncle Sam Says

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THE BIBLE SPEAKS

International Uniform Sunday School Lessons

By DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

SCRIPTURE: Acts 9:36-42; Matthew 25:31-40

DEVOTIONAL READING: Proverbs 31:10-31

Religion: Hand-Sewn

Lesson for August 22, 1948

THE NEIGHBORS didn't know what Tabitha's ideas were. She never went down in history as a great thinker. What church she attended, whether she ever took part in a prayer-meeting, what her spiritual life was like, the neighbors did not say. But they cried when she was dead. She was a good woman, they knew. When Simon Peter came that way they did not tell him about Tabitha's prayers or her peace of conscience. No doubt she had these. But what the neighbors brought in to show how good their friend had been, was—"coats and garments." All made by hand, her hands; made for her poorer neighbors, widows. In those days widows were not protected by life insurance, social security or annuity plans. They could not go out and earn big money in factories. To be a widow, as a rule, meant to be in need of help. Too many of them starved. So Tabitha spent her time making clothes for the widows of her city.

Dr. Foreman

Full of Good Works

THE BIBLE says she was "full of good works." It does not say she was full of faith or full of love. Just full of good works. We can be pretty sure the faith and love, the religion, was there, but it was the good works that people noticed.

Religion in Tabitha's house was translated into the language of coats and skirts. Religion always has to be translated into something we can understand. Religion uses words, of course; books full of them. We cannot get along without them. They stand for something. But where the Christian religion is concerned, we cannot stop with words.

Would They Want You Back?

THERE MUST have been a number of deceased Christians in Joppa, but the only one who seems to have been worth a miracle to bring back to life was this woman, Tabitha, or Dorcas. Her life was over, yet it was a life worth living again.

How many people would be worth bringing back to life again? How many funerals would the neighbors want done in reverse? Not many, maybe, but if the neighbors voted at each funeral, as they did at Tabitha's, on the question, "Do we want that person back again?" they would usually vote for people like Tabitha, whose religion was all hand-sewn.

What Is Service?

SERVICE IS a word much used in Christian circles. We even have the world around us using the word. Department stores, government agencies, radio manufacturers, filling stations, all offer service. The trouble is that much of this is something for which you have to pay. And much so-called service is simply mending something that was not done right in the first place. Tabitha's service was of a different kind. It was genuine doing for people who couldn't do much for themselves and who certainly could not do anything in return.

Even among Christians, when we think of service we set our sights sometimes too high. We think of Telemachus, who stopped the brutal sport of gladiators murdering one another on Roman holidays. We think of great missionaries or settlement workers, or Christian statesmen like Gladstone or Kuyper. All honor to such men and women; they inspire us all. Yet they discourage us, too. For these great Christians are "special" people; they had outstanding talent, some of them even genius. They had opportunities given only to a few, opportunities that do not come in every one's lifetime.

Religion in the Hands

WE SHOULD REMEMBER this of Tabitha, or Dorcas. All she had was her hands and some pieces of cloth. Her only opportunity was a poor city filled with poor people. Her only talent was one most women have: Plain sewing.

Yet the Tabithas, the Dorcases, make the backbone of Christianity. They are the salt of the church, the salt of the earth. In your own town, in your own community, if the Christian religion is loved and respected, it is not because of the famous preachers; it is because of the humble doers, the people whose Christian religion goes to their hands.

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Cologne marks 7th century of cathedral.

The Push-Over

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Oakville

Oakville, August 17.- Mr. and Mrs. Byron Cole, and daughter, Patricia Sue, of Appomattox, visited Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Marsh Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Moore and daughters, of Roanoke are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. Roland Smith this week-end.

Mrs. C. E. Wilkerson spent last week-end with her mother, Mrs. John Bingham.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Page and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Page were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Page last week-end.

Little Clyde Page, son of Mr. and Mrs. Georrge Page, is still at Va. Baptist Hospital, but is improving slowly.

Misses Anne Harris, of Cleveland, Ohio; Shirley Walton, Sue Moore, Mary Ellen Moore were guests of Miss Virginia Lewis one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lewis visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lewis Sunday.

The Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Hughes and daughter were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Harvey, Sr., Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rogers and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Daisy Rogers and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Wilkerson and Miss Frances Martin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Cyrus.

Richwood

Richwood, August 17.- Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Guill and son, Duvall were visiting with friends in Lynchburg Sunday.

L. G. Adams was in Lynchburg on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Brannan were visiting in Ft. Defiance, Va., Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Leonard Blackwell, Jr. and baby have returned home from the hospital, and both are doing nicely.

J. C. Holland and Mrs. Effie Stoneburner, of Washington, D. C. were visiting with friends here on Monday and Tuesday.

Services at Wesley Chapel Sunday at 3 P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. James Branson, of Loma Linda, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith, of Detroit, Mich., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Brown.

Harold Marsh, of Gladys, Va. was a visitor of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Arrington and Miss Gertrude May were in Lynchburg Saturday.

Mrs. Clyde Ramsey and her mother, Mrs. Tony Mastonic, of Boston, Mass. are enjoying a ten-day visit with Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Ramsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Godsey and children were week-end guests of Mrs. Godsey's parents.

Richwood, Aug. 17.- Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sarver Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sarver, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sarver, Mrs. H. G. Phillips and son, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Overstreet and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Phillips and son, all of Bedford; Mr. and Mrs. L. H.Goin and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Johnson and family and Massie Euro, all of Appomattox.

Vera

Vera, August 16.- Miss Ellen Evans, of Thaxton is spending a few weeks with Miss Sallie Lou Chernault.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Chernault spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Carnefix.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Chernault spent the day Sunday with Mrs. J. T. Evans.

Miss Ethel Chernault spent last week with Mrs. Flood Harris, of Buckingham.

Mrs. Maude E. Abbitt spent the week-end with Mrs. Ed Blackwell.

Miss Evelyn Chernault spent Wednesday night with Miss Martha Jennings.

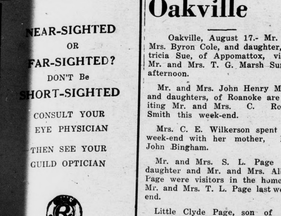
State seafood conservation needed, claim.

Fear of war held as upsetting to U. S. students.

Russian paper says Soviet Navy is prepared.

Former president f Panama is order to leave Costa Rica.

China orders wages raised.



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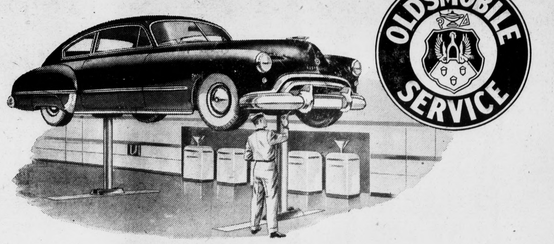

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